

**U.S. District Court  
California Northern District (San Francisco)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 3:18-cv-04852-JCS**

The Center for Investigative Reporting, et al., v. United States  
Department of Justice  
Assigned to: Magistrate Judge Joseph C. Spero  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 08/10/2018  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
08/10/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF; against Department of Justice ( Filing fee \$ 400, receipt number 0971-12585746.). Filed by The Center for Investigative Reporting, et al., (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit Ex. A, # <u>2</u> Exhibit Ex. B, # <u>3</u> Exhibit Ex.

		C, # <u>4</u> Exhibit Ex. D, # <u>5</u> Exhibit Ex. E, # <u>6</u> Exhibit Ex. F, # <u>7</u> Civil Cover Sheet)(Baranetsky, Diana) (Filed on 8/10/2018) Modified on 8/13/2018 (aaaS, COURT STAFF). (Entered: 08/10/2018)
08/10/2018	<u>2</u>	Proposed Summons. (Baranetsky, Diana) (Filed on 8/10/2018) (Entered: 08/10/2018)
08/10/2018	<u>3</u>	Certificate of Interested Entities by The Center for Investigative Reporting (CIR) (Baranetsky, Diana) (Filed on 8/10/2018) (Entered: 08/10/2018)
08/10/2018	<u>4</u>	Case assigned to Magistrate Judge Elizabeth D. Laporte.  Counsel for plaintiff or the removing party is responsible for serving the Complaint or Notice of Removal, Summons and the assigned judge's standing orders and all other new case documents upon the opposing parties. For information, visit <i>E-Filing A New Civil Case</i> at <a href="http://cand.uscourts.gov/ecf/caseopening">http://cand.uscourts.gov/ecf/caseopening</a> .  Standing orders can be downloaded from the court's web page at <a href="http://www.cand.uscourts.gov/judges">www.cand.uscourts.gov/judges</a> . Upon receipt, the summons will be issued and returned electronically. Counsel is required to send chambers a copy of the initiating documents pursuant to L.R. 5-1(e)(7). A scheduling order will be sent by Notice of Electronic Filing (NEF) within two business days. Consent/Declination due by 8/24/2018. (jmlS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 8/10/2018) (Entered: 08/10/2018)
08/10/2018		<u>Electronic filing error</u> . Corrected by Clerk's Office. No further action is necessary. Re: <u>1</u> Complaint, filed by The Center for Investigative Reporting (CIR) <b>Plaintiff Party Sankin was not entered. Plaintiff &amp; Defendant Parties Entered Incorrectly.</b> (aaaS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 8/10/2018) (Entered: 08/13/2018)
08/10/2018	<u>5</u>	<b>Initial Case Management Scheduling Order with ADR Deadlines:</b> Case Management Statement due by 11/6/2018. Initial Case Management Conference set for 11/13/2018 10:00 AM. Signed by Magistrate Judge Elizabeth D. Laporte on 8/10/18. (aaaS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 8/10/2018) (Entered: 08/13/2018)
08/13/2018	<u>6</u>	Summons Issued as to United States Department of Justice. (aaaS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 8/13/2018) (Entered: 08/13/2018)
08/13/2018	<u>7</u>	CONSENT/DECLINATION to Proceed Before a US Magistrate Judge by The Center for Investigative Reporting.. (Baranetsky, Diana) (Filed on 8/13/2018) (Entered: 08/13/2018)
08/21/2018	<u>8</u>	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE by Aaron Sankin, The Center for Investigative Reporting (Baranetsky, Diana) (Filed on 8/21/2018) (Entered: 08/21/2018)
08/23/2018	<u>9</u>	CLERK'S NOTICE: The parties are hereby notified that the Case Management Conference is rescheduled to 11/6/2018 at 10:30 AM in San Francisco, Courtroom E, 15th Floor by Magistrate Judge Elizabeth D. Laporte. The Case Management Statement is now due by 10/30/2018. <i>(This is a text-only entry generated by the court. There is no document associated with this entry.)</i> (shyS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 8/23/2018) (Entered: 08/23/2018)
09/18/2018	<u>10</u>	ANSWER to <u>1</u> Complaint ; by United States Department of Justice. (Saltiel, Steven) (Filed on 9/18/2018) Modified on 9/19/2018 (aaaS, COURT STAFF). (Entered: 09/18/2018)
10/16/2018	<u>11</u>	CLERK'S NOTICE TO DEFENDANT Re: Consent or Declination. Defendant shall file a consent or declination to proceed before a magistrate judge. Note that any party is free to withhold consent to proceed before a magistrate judge without adverse substantive consequences. The forms are available at: <a href="http://cand.uscourts.gov/civilforms">http://cand.uscourts.gov/civilforms</a> . Consent/Declination due by 10/30/2018. (shyS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 10/16/2018) (Entered: 10/16/2018)
10/17/2018	<u>12</u>	ADR Clerks Notice re: Non-Compliance with Court Order. The parties have failed to file an ADR Certification as required by the Initial Case Management Scheduling Order. Counsel shall comply promptly with the requirements of ADR L.R. 3-5(b) and shall file the ADR Certification. <i>(This is a text-only entry generated by the court. There is no document associated with this entry.)</i> (cmf, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 10/17/2018) (Entered: 10/17/2018)

10/17/2018	<u>13</u>	ADR Certification (ADR L.R. 3–5 b) of discussion of ADR options (Baranetsky, Diana) (Filed on 10/17/2018) (Entered: 10/17/2018)
10/17/2018	<u>14</u>	ADR Certification (ADR L.R. 3–5 b) of discussion of ADR options (Saltiel, Steven) (Filed on 10/17/2018) (Entered: 10/17/2018)
10/17/2018	<u>15</u>	CONSENT/DECLINATION to Proceed Before a US Magistrate Judge by United States Department of Justice.. (Saltiel, Steven) (Filed on 10/17/2018) (Entered: 10/17/2018)
10/31/2018	<u>16</u>	STIPULATION WITH PROPOSED ORDER filed by Aaron Sankin, The Center for Investigative Reporting. (Baranetsky, Diana) (Filed on 10/31/2018) (Entered: 10/31/2018)
11/01/2018	<u>17</u>	<b>STIPULATION AND ORDER to Continue Case Management Conference signed by Magistrate Judge Elizabeth D. Laporte: granting <u>16</u> Stipulation.(shyS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 11/1/2018) (Entered: 11/01/2018)</b>
11/26/2018	<u>18</u>	JOINT CASE MANAGEMENT STATEMENT filed by United States Department of Justice. (Saltiel, Steven) (Filed on 11/26/2018) (Entered: 11/26/2018)
12/04/2018	<u>19</u>	<b>Minute Entry for case management conference held on 12/4/2018 before Magistrate Judge Elizabeth D. Laporte. A further case management conference is set for 3/19/2019 at 10:00 am. An updated joint case management statement is due by 3/12/2019. The deadline to add new parties or amend the pleadings is 12/31/2018.</b>  FTR Time: 10:26 – 10:28  Plaintiff Attorney: Victoria Baranetsky  Defendant Attorney: Steven Saltiel  (This is a text–only entry generated by the court. There is no document associated with this entry.) (shyS, COURT STAFF) (Date Filed: 12/4/2018) (Entered: 12/04/2018)
12/05/2018	<u>20</u>	PDF with attached Audio File. Court Date & Time [ 12/4/2018 10:26:01 AM ]. File Size [ 1192 KB ]. Run Time [ 00:02:29 ]. (courtspeak). (Entered: 12/05/2018)
03/12/2019	<u>21</u>	JOINT CASE MANAGEMENT STATEMENT <i>and Request to Continue Case Management Conference</i> filed by United States Department of Justice. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed Order)(Reagin, Julie) (Filed on 3/12/2019) (Entered: 03/12/2019)
03/12/2019	<u>22</u>	<b>ORDER CONTINUING CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE. Signed by Judge Elizabeth D. Laporte on March 12, 2019. (mlIS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 3/12/2019) (Entered: 03/12/2019)</b>
03/12/2019		Set Deadlines/Hearings: Case Management Statement due by 4/23/2019. Initial Case Management Conference set for 4/30/2019 10:00 AM in San Francisco, Courtroom E, 15th Floor. (mlIS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 3/12/2019) (Entered: 03/14/2019)
04/23/2019	<u>23</u>	JOINT CASE MANAGEMENT STATEMENT filed by United States Department of Justice. (Reagin, Julie) (Filed on 4/23/2019) (Entered: 04/23/2019)
04/26/2019	<u>24</u>	CLERK'S NOTICE: The parties are hereby notified that the case management conference is rescheduled to 6/25/2019 at 10:00 AM in San Francisco, Courtroom E, 15th Floor before Magistrate Judge Elizabeth D. Laporte. An updated Case Management Statement is due by 6/18/2019. (This is a text–only entry generated by the court. There is no document associated with this entry.) (shyS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 4/26/2019) (Entered: 04/26/2019)
06/05/2019	<u>25</u>	STIPULATION WITH PROPOSED ORDER <i>to Continue Case Management Conference</i> filed by United States Department of Justice. (Reagin, Julie) (Filed on 6/5/2019) (Entered: 06/05/2019)
06/06/2019	<u>26</u>	<b>ORDER granting Stipulation to Continue Case Management Conference signed by Magistrate Judge Elizabeth D. Laporte: granting <u>25</u> Stipulation. (shyS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 6/6/2019) (Entered: 06/06/2019)</b>

07/15/2019	<u>27</u>	STIPULATION WITH PROPOSED ORDER <i>to Continue Case Management Conference</i> filed by United States Department of Justice. (Reagin, Julie) (Filed on 7/15/2019) (Entered: 07/15/2019)
07/19/2019	<u>28</u>	<b>ORDER granting Stipulation to Continue Case Management Conference signed by Magistrate Judge Elizabeth D. Laporte: granting <u>27</u> Stipulation.(shyS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 7/19/2019) (Entered: 07/19/2019)</b>
08/12/2019	<u>29</u>	NOTICE of Substitution of Counsel by Emmet P. Ong (Ong, Emmet) (Filed on 8/12/2019) (Entered: 08/12/2019)
08/13/2019	<u>30</u>	STIPULATION WITH PROPOSED ORDER <i>Joint Status Report and Stipulated Request to Continue Case Management Conference and [Proposed] Order</i> filed by United States Department of Justice. (Ong, Emmet) (Filed on 8/13/2019) (Entered: 08/13/2019)
08/14/2019	<u>31</u>	<b>ORDER granting Stipulated Request to Continue Case Management Conference signed by Magistrate Judge Elizabeth D. Laporte: granting <u>30</u> Stipulation.(shyS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 8/14/2019) (Entered: 08/14/2019)</b>
09/20/2019	<u>32</u>	STIPULATION WITH PROPOSED ORDER <i>TO CONTINUE CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE</i> filed by United States Department of Justice. (Ong, Emmet) (Filed on 9/20/2019) (Entered: 09/20/2019)
09/23/2019	<u>33</u>	<b>ORDER granting Stipulated Request to Continue Case Management Conference signed by Magistrate Judge Elizabeth D. Laporte: granting <u>32</u> Stipulation.(shyS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 9/23/2019) (Entered: 09/23/2019)</b>
10/25/2019	<u>34</u>	STIPULATION WITH PROPOSED ORDER <i>TO CONTINUE CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE</i> filed by United States Department of Justice. (Ong, Emmet) (Filed on 10/25/2019) (Entered: 10/25/2019)
10/28/2019	<u>35</u>	<b>Order, signed as modified on 10/28/19, by Chief Magistrate Judge Joseph C. Spero granting <u>34</u> Stipulation to Continue Case Management Conference. Case Management Statement due by 11/22/2019. Initial Case Management Conference set for 12/6/2019 02:00 PM in San Francisco, Courtroom G, 15th Floor before Chief Magistrate Judge Joseph C. Spero.(klhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 10/28/2019) (Entered: 10/28/2019)</b>
10/28/2019	<u>36</u>	<b>ORDER REASSIGNING CASE. Signed by the Clerk on 10/28/2019. (ecgS COURT STAFF) (Filed on 10/28/2019) (Entered: 10/28/2019)</b>
10/28/2019		Case Reassigned to Judge Magistrate Judge Joseph C. Spero. Judge Magistrate Judge Elizabeth D. Laporte no longer assigned to the case. (ecgS-adi, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 10/28/2019) (Entered: 10/28/2019)
11/22/2019	<u>37</u>	STIPULATION WITH PROPOSED ORDER <i>TO CONTINUE CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE</i> filed by United States Department of Justice. (Ong, Emmet) (Filed on 11/22/2019) (Entered: 11/22/2019)
11/22/2019	<u>38</u>	<b>Order, signed 11/22/19, by Chief Magistrate Judge Joseph C. Spero granting <u>37</u> Stipulation to Continue Case Management Conference.</b>  Case Management Statement due by 1/10/2020. Initial Case Management Conference set for 1/17/2020 02:00 PM in San Francisco, Courtroom F, 15th Floor.(klhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 11/22/2019) (Entered: 11/22/2019)